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VIA Overnight Courier

Mr. Tom Turner, Associate Regional Counsel U.S. EPA – Region V Office of Regional Counsel (C-14J) 77 W. Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604

RE: RRG Clayton Chemical Site

Dear Mr. Turner:

We are in receipt of the U.S. EPA's September 27, 2005 General Notice of Potential Liability letter relating to the RRG Clayton Chemical Site. We received the letter on October 4, 2005, and hereby timely reply in accordance with the instructions of the letter.

At this time, The Dial Corporation lacks sufficient information to determine if it actually has any liability in this matter, and therefore it is premature for Dial to respond to your inquiry as to our willingness to perform or finance the activities described in the letter. Your letter did not provide any facts alleging what Dial facility may have generated wastes sent to the subject site, what CERCLA hazardous substances were in such wastes, when in time the shipments were made, or where the subject site is even located. Your letter establishes no nexus of Dial to the subject site and Dial is unaware of any such nexus.

Please provide the above missing information that will better allow us to determine if we are an appropriately named potentially responsible party in this matter. All future correspondence relating to this matter should be sent to my attention at the following address:

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Sincerely,

Brad Gazaway Corporate Counsel

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